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## Amendments to the Specification:

Please amend paragraph [42] as follows:

[42] Brief Description of the Figures <u>Drawings</u>

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Amendments to the Specification (cont.):

The abstract of the disclosure is presented below on a separate sheet of paper.

Sustained-release drug-delivery devices employing a mesoporous oxide coating that functions as a drug reservoir, and the use of mesoporous oxide coatings for

improved adhesion of organic polymers to inorganic substrates.

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